Hancock Department

1915 LEAGUE MEETING GOES TO KALAMAZOO

Celery City Choice of State Building and Loan Associations

The election of officers, reading of reports, adoption of resolutions and selection of delegates to national and state conventions today marked the close, of the annual convention of the state league of Building & Loan psacciations. The meeting has been in progress since Monday evening and the hospitable welcome accorded the delegates, together with the harmonions proceedings at the business ses sions, combined to make the affair one of the most pleasant in the history of the league.

With the disposition of this morn ing's tassiness, the remainder of the CLOSE WATCH KEPT FOR VANday was spent in sight-seeing, a lake trip to White City where a whitefish dinner was served, and the festivities will cuiminate in a moonlight ride on Portage Lake this evening. Tomorrow morning the visitors will board the steamer Lakeland for the return jour

Officers Are Elected. At the business session, the follow-

ing officers were elected; President-Gus Hill, Port Huron. Vice president-William H. Peck,

Secretary-Irving B. Rich, Jackson. Trensarer-F. M. Phelps, Adrian. Executive committee-Fred H. Jerome, Saginaw; J. M. Sutton, Soo; and George E. Wagner, Belding.

Delegates to national convention D, aHnchette, Hancock; F. 9. McKibbin, Lansing; W. C. Shep pard Grand Rapids; T. E. Wester, Bay City, and Gus Hill of Port Huron.

Delegates to 1914 convention at Washington-F. H. Jerome, Saginaw; W. C. Sheppard, Grand Rapids; F. S. M. Kibbin, Lansing; F. M. Phelps Adrian, and Rudolph Worsch, Jack

Three invitations for the 1915 convention of the state league were received, Saginaw, Detroit and Kalama-200 being the bidders. In view of the fact that Kalamazoo has not been the host to the league for a number of years, more than a decade, the honor fell to that city, an unanimous vote having been taken.

Resolutions Are Passed.

Denoting its appreciation to the opper country for its hospitality, the following resolution was passed:

We extend our thanks and apreciation for the entertainment of the Detroit & Northern Michigan, the Copper Country and the Houghton County or visit to this most interesting and delightful country.

Ellis' lodge, a vote of thanks.

"We also express our thanks and appreciation to Prof. Hedrick for maksuch an extended trip to furnish bought in his paper "Farm Loans for Building & Loan Associations."

mention their appreciation of the conthe efficiency of his assistants."

Resolutions of condolence, express ing regret for the death of Erwin B. Lindsey of Three Rivers, H. G. Barnum of Port Huron, and Fred J. Hopkins of Lansing, also were passed,

The credentials committee reported ing sixteen associations, were present. The report of the auditing committee and the discussion of important sublects pertaining to the welfare of the



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HOLLAND REMAINS ARRIVE.

Body of Hancock Young Lady is Ship

ped from Ironwood. The hody of the late Miss Nellie Helland, announcement of whose death appeared in last evening's issue The News, arrived in Hancock today rom Ironwood. Funeral arrangements vill be made later.

The announcement of the death was learned with genuine regret throughout the city where the decedent resided all her life. For the past few years she was employed as stenographer in the office of the Hancock Mining company and a month ago, she left for the message, telling of her illnes and urging the presence of relatives was received Monday evening and Rev. Fr. brother and sister, left for her bedside. Death occurred, however, before they

AUTO CLUB IS GUARDIAN

DALS WHO SEEK TO PUNC-TURE TIRES.

Some time ago the Copper Country Automobile club declated war on van dals who wilfully threw into public roads, glass, nails, tacks and other things that puncture automobile tires. The club decided that such persons caught would be arrested and proseented and every member of the club was urged a committee to see that this law become vigilant. Since that proclamation was spread broadcast it is declared the roads are safer for tires

The object of the Copper Country Automobile club primarily is to provide and maintain good reads for the enjoyment of the members, by such means as may be available. In furtherance of this end the services of a man have been engaged to make a tour of inspection of the roads every week and clean away all materials dangerous to tires. He also is ordered to report any portions of roads in poor con-

Copper country automobile owners also desire to enlarge their touring radius. In other districts the automobile has enlarged the neighborhood of the automobile owner. The owner of such a machine can take a journey to a neighboring friend at a distance of one hundred miles with the same convenience that formerly would involve a call on a friend in the near vicinity. A good road from Houghton to Marquette would prove a great boon to the auto travelers. Were it possible to go to Marquette from this district by auto it would be an easy matter to continue the tour to Chicago and other cities as the roads below the prison city are in the best of condition. Covington township, Baraga county, recently complet-Suilding & Loan associations during ed repairing the road in that section so it is in the best of condition, but the parts of the highway to Marquette We appreciate the use of the Elk's require improvement to make the road temple as a meeting place and extend suitable for automobile traffic. For the to the officers and members of the repair of these the club is now directing its efforts.

NARROW ESCAPE FOR TRUCK.

the league members a new line of Henry Larson's Motor Vehicle Nearly Plunges Over Tezcuco Hill,

What might have been a serious a The Michigan Rullding & Loan cident was narrowly averted yesterday learne desires again at this time, to afternoon when the motor truck owned by Henry Larson nearly plunged over tinued efforts in their behalf of the the steep grade on Tezcuco street, Secretary of State, Hon. Fred C. Mar-leading from Hancock street to the tindale, and to reiterate our faith in lake front. The machine was standing on the incline near Rein's store on Hancock street while the driver was calling on a customer. In some unknown manner the clutch on the truck slipped and the machine started off. The street is on a slight cross grade at this point and this caused the truck 22 delegates and 27 visitors, represent- to head for the hill leading to the Close & Hodgeson's warehouse. At the corner the front wheels of the truck plunged over a flight of stairs near Mr. Rein's store and stopped when the rear league, brought the session to an end, of the machine struck the porch of a uilding.

The truck was damaged but slighty but it required several hours work efore it could be removed. It was secessary to raise the front of the mahine with jacks and drag it from its esting place. Had the machine continued on its course down Texcuco hill the speed it would have attained would have sent it into Portage Lake.

CRICKET GAME AT QUINCY.

for Painesdale Will Change Positions in League.

The Painesdale and Quincy cricket eams will meet on the Quincy pitch this afternoon, a victory for either team altering the league positions. Quincy, Painesdale and Kearsarge are ied for first place, hence cricket fans attach considerable importance to today's contest. Painesdale already has won from Quincy and lost to Kearsarge while Quincy has defeated Kear-

***** HANCCCK BREVITIES.

Dr. L. M. Power returned yesterday from Chicago, journeying as far as Iron River in his new automobile and the remainder of the distance by rall. A meeting of the Anti-socialist club will be held in the North Star Temperance hall Sunday afternoon.

S. E. Clark of Detroit, general man ager of the Grinnell Music Co., is in Hancock on official business. John McDwitt of Jackson is visiting

in this city. Elmer Lindorf of Rogers City, re turned to his home yesterday after an extended visit with Mrs. Lindorf and daughter, who are guests at the home

of William Kerredge. Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Wright of Sar-

CITES EFFECT OF CANAL IN THE **CARIBBEAN ZONE**

People of Middle America Will Profit by U.S. Intervention

Washington, D. C., July 22,-Th probable beneficent effect of the Pan ama Canal on the countries of the Ca ribbean is told by Wm. J. Showaite in a communication to the Nationa iron country to spend her vacation. A Geographic Society, at Washington, D C. He describes the wonderful chang es that have been wrought in Port Rico and Cuba since the advent of th Holland and Miss Mary Holland, United States government in those is lands.

"It would require six Salvadors t make one Honduras, and yet Salvade has three times as much population and three times as much foreign com merce as Honduras," he says. "Costs Rica is less than half as big as Nicara OF COPPER COUNTRY ROADS Rua, and yet it has three times a much foreign commerce as Nicaragua And yet, when Salvador and Costa Rica are compared with Porto Rico they in turn seem to be slow in their development. Porto Rica is so smal that seven islands like it would be required to cover an area equal to that of Costa Rica, yet it has a foreign trade five times as great as that of th Banana Empire, Porto Rico is less than half as large as Salvador, yet i has a foreign trade seven times a great.

> Porto Rico's Trade Increasing. "Little Porto Rico is so small that it could be buried in a single Centra American lake; it would take 57 b lands of its size to equal Central America in area, and yet Perto Rico pro duces more foreign trade than all Cen tral America together. The reason Because Porto Rico has an ideal gov ernment. The trade of the island has nearly quintupled since Uncle San took possession there. The number of children enrolled in the school has in creased sixfold. The wages of the laboring class has multiplied threefold Porto Rico's prosperity is seen in the sugar fields, where four tons of sugar are produced where one was a doze years ago, and where the Porto Ricar people receive \$6 for exported sugar where they received \$1 only a dozen years before. Coffee production has quadrupled since the beginning of the century. The production of oranger has increased sevenfold in ten years pineapples twenty-fold in four years and grapefruit twenty-five-fold is

three years.' Prospers Through Government. Similar comparisons are made be ween Cuba and the six republics. With an area one-fifth as great, its foreign commerce is three times that of the six. "One might go on with these comparisons indefinitely, the lesson of them all being that prosperity cannot exist where good government doe not," continues the writer.

"With yast deposits of minerals, untold thousands of acres of the finest tropical fruit and vegetable lands is the world, and vast areas of magnificent grazing and coffee lands, Honduras is at our very doors. It is 700 miles nearer to Chicago than that city i from San Francisco; It is closer Washington than Denver is; it is farther from New Orleans to Chicago than it is from Puerto Barries to Ne-York. A stable government for Honduras, and it must become a kingdon of plenty instead of a principality of poverty! Nicaragua is in the sam condition as Honduras.

Profit by Cuba's Experience.

"It is not unreasonable to assun that if the people of Middle America can secure fair and proper governmen conditions after the completion of the Panama Canal, they can do what Cube has done in the 13 years since the first American intervention, Since that time the number of people able to read and write has increased 140 per cent The mortality rate has been cut down from 33.68 per thousand to 12.69. The balance of trade has risen from a deficit of \$27,000,000 a year to a surplus of \$30,000,000. Assuming that Central America can be brought up to Cuba's standard today, its foreign trade would amount to a full billion dollars a year instead of a beggarly 65 million today. It would have 10,000 miles of railroad where it has less than 1,000 miles today. It would have 5,000 miles of macadam roads as compared with a few hundred. It would have a population of 11,000,000, as compared with 5,600,000 today.

"This and more will certainly con to Central America if good government there comes apace with a completed

dinia, Italy, and children, and Mr. and Mrs. George Osborn and children of the Soo arrived in Hancock this morning to visit Run Dunstan. Mr. and Mrs. John Madigan return-

ed to Kalamazoo yesterday after a two weeks' visit with relatives here. Mrs. John M. Wagner and daughter, Grace, left last evening for Champaigne, Ill., for an extended visit with Mrs. Wagner's sister, Mrs. L. E. Young. Mrs. W. W. Finch, Mr. and Mrs. Graydon E. Finch and Miss Stella Ople left this morning for Twin Lakes where they will spend the remainde

of the week in camp. Daniel Crawford of Detroit is in Hancock visiting his son, Bert Craw-

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wills have re turned from their honeymoon trip Chicago, Milwaukee and other cities. Mrs. Leonard Peterson and children arrived last evening to spend the summer with Mrs. Peterson's mother, Mrs. J. N. Mitchell,

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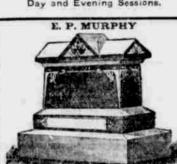
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